



**DTL Series Digital Video Recorders  
Installation and Operation Manual**

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**IMPORTANT**

The first few pages of these instructions contain important information on safety and product conformity. Please read, and ensure that you understand this information before continuing.

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**IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS**

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This product is exclusively for use in CCTV applications and has no other purpose.

**Read and Retain these instructions** - All the safety and operating instructions must be read before the unit is operated and should be retained for future reference.

**Cleaning** - Unplug the unit from the supply outlet before cleaning. Use a damp cloth for cleaning. Do not use liquid or aerosol cleaners.

**Accessories** - Do not use accessories that have not been recommended by the product manufacturer as they may cause hazards.

**Water and Moisture** - Do not use this unit near water. For example, near a bathtub, wash bowl, kitchen sink, or laundry tub, in a wet basement, near a swimming pool, in an unprotected outdoor installation, or any area that is classified as a wet location.

**Mounting During Installation** - Do not place this unit on an unstable stand, tripod, bracket, or mount. The unit may fall, causing serious injury to a person and serious damage to the unit. Any mounting of the unit should follow the manufacturer's instructions, and should use a mounting accessory kit supplied by the manufacturer.

**Ventilation** - Openings in the enclosure are provided for ventilation to ensure reliable operation of the unit and to protect it from overheating. These openings must not be blocked or covered, and therefore this unit should not be placed in a built-in installation unless proper ventilation is provided. Do not place directly on other hot equipment, because this may increase its operating temperature.

**Power-cord Protection** - Power-supply cords should be routed so that they are not likely to be walked on or pinched by items placed upon or against them, paying particular attention to cords at plugs, and the point where they exit from the appliance.

**Cable runs** - cabling of the unit must be in accordance with the country of installation's national wiring regulations.

**Object and Liquid Entry** - This equipment must be protected from the ingress of foreign materials. Never push objects of any kind into this unit through openings as they may touch dangerous voltage points or short-out parts that could result in a fire or electric shock. Never spill liquid of any kind on the unit.

**Servicing** - There are no user-serviceable parts. Do not remove the covers as this may expose you to dangerous voltages or other hazards. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel.

**Replacement Parts** - When replacement parts are required, an approved service agent must be used in order to ensure any replacement parts used meet the specifications of the manufacturer. The use of unauthorised substitute components may result in fire, electric shock or other hazards.

**Safety Check** - Upon completion of any service or repairs to this unit, suitably qualified personnel must perform all relevant safety checks to determine that the unit is in a proper and safe operating condition e.g. flash testing, PAT testing, etc.

**Signal Cables Connected to 0V (signal ground)** - Ensure connections to signal cable '0V' are made in accordance with the country of installation's national wiring regulations to ensure safe operation and to minimise earth loops. This must not be confused with the safety earth connection required for Class 1 equipment i.e. equipment that must be connected to a safety earth for safe operation.

**Non-use for Long Periods** - If the unit is not to be used for long periods, it is recommended that input power, and all interface cables are disconnected from the unit.

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**PRODUCT SAFETY**

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**⚠ WARNING**

- Installation is only to be carried out by competent, qualified and experienced personnel in accordance with the country of installation's National Wiring Regulations.
- The Digital Recorder contains no user-serviceable parts.
- This unit contains a lithium battery whose expected life is in excess of five years. If the Digital Recorder loses its settings each time it is switched off then the battery needs replacing. In this instance return the Digital Recorder to the manufacturer or manufacturer's approved service agent who will replace the battery.
- There is a danger of explosion if the lithium battery is incorrectly replaced. Replace only with the same or an equivalent type recommended by the manufacturer. Dispose of unused batteries according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- The Digital Recorder must not be used in a medical and/or intrinsically safe application and is intended for general purpose CCTV applications only.
- Do not exceed the voltage and temperature limits given in the specification. Only operate the Digital Recorder in a clean, dry, dust-free environment, pollution degree 2, overvoltage 2. Altitude not to exceed 2000m above sea level.

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**ACTION WHEN UNIT IS DAMAGED**

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Unplug the unit from the outlet and refer servicing to qualified service personnel under the following conditions:

- **When the power-supply cord or plug is damaged.**
- **If liquid has been spilled, or objects have fallen into the unit.**
- **If the unit has been exposed to rain or water.**
- **If the unit does not operate normally by following the operating instructions.**
- **If the unit has been dropped or the cabinet has been damaged.**
- **When the unit exhibits a distinct change in performance.**
- **If the user suspects, for any reason, that the unit is damaged.**

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**ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY (EMC)**

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**For DTL-96DE/500**

This is a Class A product. In a domestic environment this product may cause radio interference in which case the user may be required to take adequate measures.

**For all other DTL products**

This is a Class B product. This product is intended to operate satisfactorily in the environmental electromagnetic conditions of residential, commercial, light industrial and industrial environments. This implies particularly that it should be able to operate correctly within the conditions fixed by the electromagnetic compatibility levels for the various disturbances on the low voltage public supply system as defined by EN61000-2-2.

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**MANUFACTURER'S DECLARATION OF CONFORMANCE**

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A "Declaration of Conformity" in accordance with the above EU standards has been made and is on file with the manufacturer. The manufacturer declares that the product supplied with this document is compliant with the provisions of the EMC Directive 89/336 EEC, the Low Voltage Directive LVD 73/23 EEC, the CE Marking Directive 93/68 EEC and all associated amendments.

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**UNPACKING**

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Check the package and contents for visible damage. The packaging should contain:

- The DTL unit
- UK and EU power supply cables
- The DTL user manual
- A ferrite
- WaveReader software with instruction manual

If any components are missing or damaged, contact the supplier immediately. **Do not attempt to use the unit.** If, for any reason they must be returned, the contents must be shipped in the original packaging.

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**INSTALLATION ENVIRONMENT**

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**Power:** Ensure that the site's AC power is stable and within the rated voltage of the external power supply. If the site's AC power is likely to have spikes or power dips, use power line conditioning or an Uninterruptable Power Supply (UPS).

**Ventilation:** Install the unit in a well-ventilated area. Take note of the locations of the cooling vents in the unit's enclosure, and ensure that they are not obstructed, and cannot become obstructed during normal operation.

**Temperature and Humidity:** Extremes of heat or cold beyond the specified operating temperature limits may cause the unit to fail. Do not install the unit on top of other hot equipment.

**Moisture:** Do not expose the unit to rain or moisture. Moisture can damage the internal components. Do not install this unit near sources of water.

**Chassis:** Other equipment can be placed on top of the unit if it weighs less than 35 pounds (16 kg).

## **FEATURES, CONNECTIONS AND SETUP**

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**PRODUCT DESCRIPTION AND FEATURES**

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DTL (Digital Time Lapse) Series Digital Video Recorders are designed to be direct replacements for Time Lapse VCRs. Digital video recording allows the user to continuously record to a hard disk, without needing replace or rewind video tapes. DTL series products provide menu-based search capabilities for recorded events, as well as access to live or recorded data via the Ethernet.

Features of the DTL series include:

- Single channel composite or SVHS input/output connection
- Accepts single camera input or an input from most popular multiplexers
- Compatible with colour or monochrome cameras
- Records at up to 50 pictures per second (pps)
- Continuous recording in Disk Overwrite mode
- LCD on front panel indicates time, date, mode, and record speed in pictures per second (pps)
- Video archiving via the unit's SCSI-2 port
- Access to live or recorded video via the Ethernet
- Continuous recording while archiving or transmitting via the Ethernet
- A simple on-screen menu system
- WaveReader software for viewing live or recorded images on a PC
- Facility to program time-recorded events
- The option of either a DVD recorder, CD recorder, a removable hard drive or internal hard disk drive

**Products covered by this handbook**

- DTL-96DE/500      internal hard disk drive (500GB disk space) and an internal DVD recorder
- DTL-96CE/80      internal hard disk drive (80GB disk space) and an internal CD recorder
- DTL-96CE/160     internal hard disk drive (160GB disk space) and an internal CD recorder
- DTL-96CE/320     internal hard disk drive (320GB disk space) and an internal CD recorder
- DTL-960E/40      internal hard disk drive (40GB disk space)
- DTL-960E/120     internal hard disk drive (120GB disk space)
- DTL-960E/240     internal hard disk drive (240GB disk space)
- DTL-96NE          no internal hard disk drive
- DTL-96REX        with slot for removable hard disk drive (hard disk not supplied)
- REM-HDD80        hard disk drive (80GB)
- REM-HDD160      hard disk drive (160GB)
- REM-HDD250      hard disk drive (250GB)

The manual can also be used with the following obsolete products: DTL-900/40, DTL-900/120, DTL-900/240, DTL-90N, DTL-90R and DTL-96RE.

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**PASSWORDS**

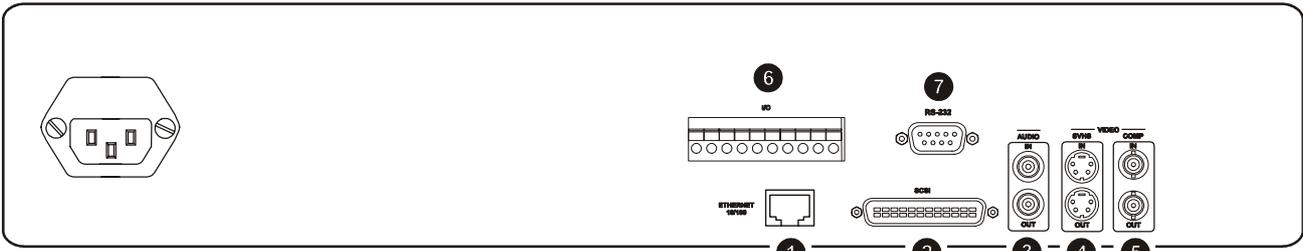
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A password is provided to limit access to the **Main** menu. Once installation is complete, it is recommended that the password is changed from the default. As a security measure, store the new password in the administrator's secured files or in a limited access area. For instructions on entering the **Main** menu with the password, see the section **Main Menu** on page 30.

A password is also provided to return the unit to the factory defaults. For instructions on returning the unit to the factory defaults, see the section **Factory Settings** on page 36.

Password	Function	Changeable by user?	Password
Main Menu Password	Provides access to the Main menu	Yes. See page 36	3 4 7
Factory Password	Restores the unit to factory defaults	No	8 1 1

REAR PANEL CONNECTIONS



**1 Ethernet Port**

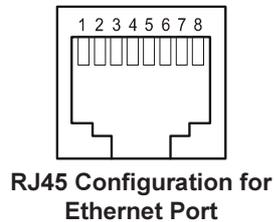
The Ethernet port is used to connect live or recorded images to a PC via the Ethernet.

The cable connection configuration depends on the network configuration in use:

- For a DTL that connects directly to a hub, use a straight-through connection.
- For a DTL that connects directly to a PC, use a cross-over connection.

Consult with your network administrator for information on the specific type of configuration. See the section **Communications (including Ethernet Settings)** on page 33 for information about configuring Ethernet settings via the menu system.

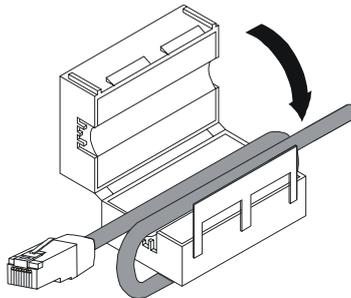
<b>Wire Type</b>	Cat 5
<b>Connector Type</b>	RJ45
<b>Maximum Cable Length</b>	30.5 metres (100 feet)
<b>Minimum Cable Length</b>	1.8 metres (6 feet)
<b>Hub Wiring Configuration</b>	Straight Through
<b>PC Wiring Configuration</b>	Cross Over



Pin	Use
1	TX+
2	TX-
3	RX+
4	Not connected
5	Not connected
6	RX-
7	Not connected
8	Not connected

**Attaching the Ferrite**

The ferrite supplied must be attached to the Ethernet cable as close to the connector as possible.



**2 SCSI-2 Port**

The unit is equipped with a SCSI-2 port for connecting external archive devices. The unit only supports a single SCSI-2 device. The SCSI-2 ID must be set to 0 and the SCSI-2 bus must be terminated, otherwise the system will not operate correctly.

<b>Connector</b>	50-pin, High Density SCSI-2
<b>Gender (on unit)</b>	Female
<b>Compatible devices</b>	DAT, AIT, CD-R, CD-RW
<b>Autoloader support</b>	Yes
<b>SCSI ID</b>	0

**3 Audio In/Out**

The unit is equipped with a mono audio input and output for recording and playback of sound.

**4 5 Video Input and Output**

The unit is equipped with both SVHS (Y/C separated video signal) and composite video inputs and outputs. The video inputs are auto-terminating.

The SVHS input is active looping, and will only loop while the unit is on.

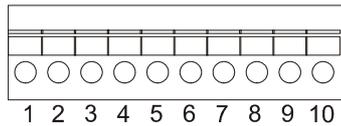
<b>SVHS Input</b>	4-pin mini-DIN connector
<b>SVHS Output</b>	4-pin mini-DIN connector
<b>SVHS Looping</b>	Only while unit is on
<b>Composite Input</b>	75 ohm BNC connector
<b>Composite Output</b>	75 ohm BNC connector
<b>Composite Looping</b>	Yes, when unit is on or off

**△ CAUTION**

**Do not connect both SVHS and composite video inputs at the same time.**

**6 Accessories I/O Port**

The rear panel of the unit is equipped with an accessories port. It is used for connecting peripheral devices such as alarm devices, alarm relays, or the VEXT connection.



**Pin Configuration for Accessories I/O Port**

Pin	Use
1	Alarm In
2	Alarm Out
3	Record Start In
4	Alarm Record Reset
5	VEXT Pulse Out
6	Error Out
7	Ground
8	Video Loss Out
9	Disk End Out
10	Ground

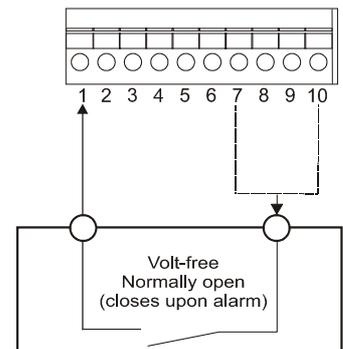
**Alarm In**

An alarm condition can be activated by an Active Low TTL input or by relay contact devices such as pressure pads, passive infrareds, door switches or other similar devices.

**Input:** Active Low TTL with pull-ups or normally-open relay (minimum duration 0.5 seconds)

**High:** +5V (+12V maximum)

**Low:** 0V



**Alarm Out**

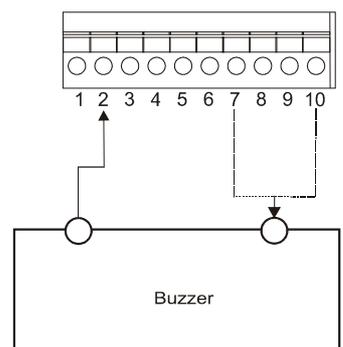
The Alarm Output is activated when a teletext alarm is read, or while the Alarm Input is active. The Alarm Output is only active for the duration of the alarm event.

**Input:** Active Low

**High:** +12V

**Low:** 0V

**Current out:** 50mA maximum (short circuit protected)



**REAR PANEL CONNECTIONS**

**Disk End Out**

The Disk End Out is activated when there is 5 minutes of recording space left on the hard disk.

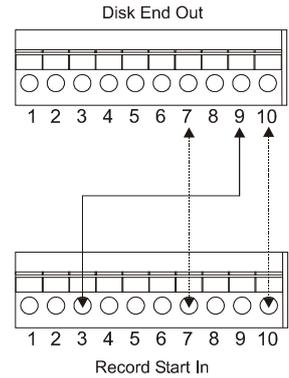
**Input:** Open Collector

**High:** Transistor Off

**Low:** Transistor On

**Active when On**

**Current out:** 10mA maximum



**Record Start In**

Record Start In will place the unit in Record mode when activated. It is compatible with the Disk End Out signal from a second unit.

**Input:** Active Low TTL with pull-ups or normally-open relay.

**High:** +5V (+12V maximum)

**Low:** 0V

**Alarm Record Reset**

This feature is for future development, and has not yet been implemented.

**VEXT Pulse Out**

The Video External (VEXT) pulse connection simplifies multiplexer operation by automatically synchronizing the multiplexer and the DTL. The DTL sends a VEXT pulse to the multiplexer indicating that it is ready to record the next image. The multiplexer responds by sending the next image to the video input on the DTL.

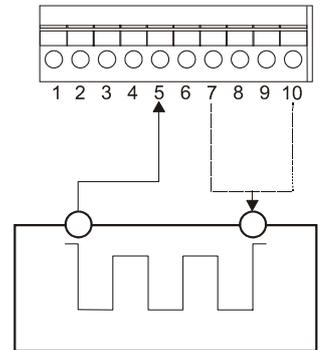
The VEXT connection is especially beneficial for units configured with dual record speeds (Normal and Alarm).

**Input:** Active Low

**High:** +12V

**Low:** +0.8V maximum

**Current out:** 50mA maximum (short circuit protected)



**IMPORTANT**

**Use of the VEXT connection is highly recommended when connecting the unit to a multiplexer.**

**Error Out**

This feature is for future development, and has not yet been implemented.

**Video Loss Out**

The Video Loss Out signal is activated when the unit experiences video loss on the selected video input (composite or SVHS).

In the event of video loss, **VIDEO LOSS** will be indicated near the upper left hand corner of the primary monitor.

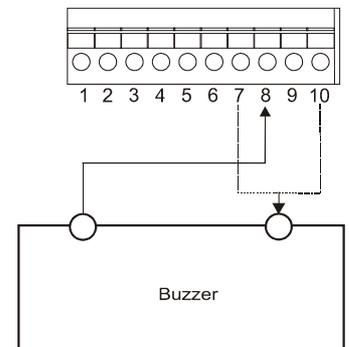
**Input:** Open Collector

**High:** Transistor Off

**Low:** Transistor On

**Active when On**

**Current out:** 10mA maximum

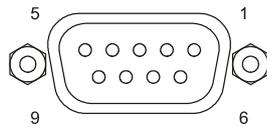


**7 RS232 Serial Port**

The RS232 serial port is provided for software upgrades and for external control of the unit. Use a null modem cable when connecting to a PC.

<b>Connector Type</b>	DB9
<b>Gender (on unit)</b>	Male
<b>Cable Required (Connected to PC)</b>	Null Modem
<b>Cable Required (Connected to Multiplexer)</b>	Variable, depending on pin-out configuration of MUX

When connecting to a multiplexer, it may be necessary to construct a cable using the pin-out documentation provided with the multiplexer as a guide. The pin-out configuration for the DTL is shown below:



**DB9 Pin Configuration for RS232 Serial Port**

Pin	Use
1	DCD
2	RX
3	TX
4	Not connected
5	0V
6	Not connected
7	RTS
8	CTS
9	Not connected

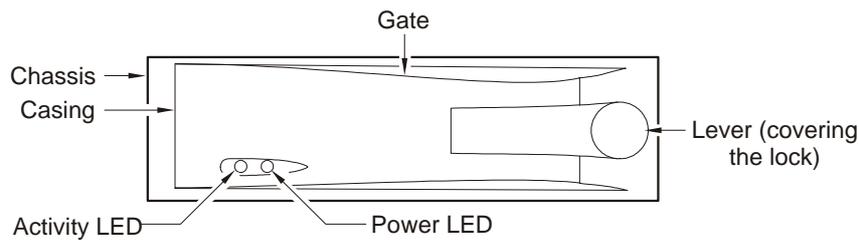
REMOVABLE HARD DRIVE (DTL-96REX ONLY)

**⚠ WARNING**

- Installation is only to be carried out by competent, qualified and experienced personnel.
- This unit contains devices that are sensitive to Electrostatic Discharge (ESD). Observe all ESD precautions before commencing fitting of the drive(s), or removal of the unit cover.

There are three main components to the removable hard drive. They are:

- The **chassis** which is fitted at the front left side of the DTL and has a lock.
- The hard drive **casing** which houses the hard drive and consists of a gate with handle and two LEDs.
- The **hard drive** itself which is used to store the digital video data.

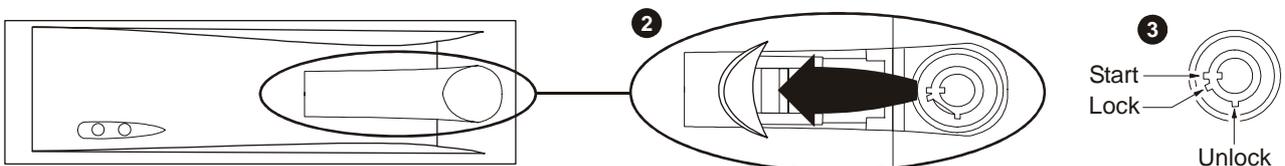


**Taking out the Removable Hard Drive**

1. Disconnect the power cord from the unit.
2. Pull the lever outwards, see diagram below.
3. Use the key provided to unlock the casing from the chassis.

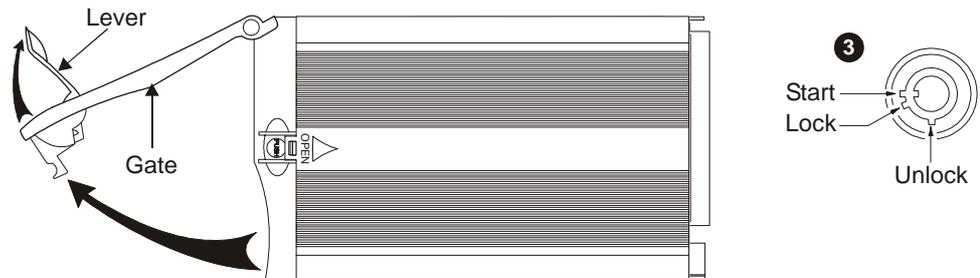
**Note:** This will turn off the DTL unit even if the power cord has not been disconnected at step 1.

4. Pull the gate open and slide the casing out.



**Inserting the Removable Hard Drive**

1. Make sure that the relevant hard drive is fitted into the casing.
2. Insert the casing into the slot on the chassis. The gate on the hard drive casing must be open with the lever pulled outwards before it can be inserted.
3. Close the gate. To keep the gate in place, it may be necessary to push the lever inwards slightly until a click is heard.
4. Use the key to turn the chassis lock to:
  - LOCK - locks the casing into the chassis.
  - START - locks the casing into the chassis and reconnects power to the DTL.



**IMPORTANT:** The Menu configuration must be the same for each hard drive because some of the system configuration settings are stored on the drive itself.

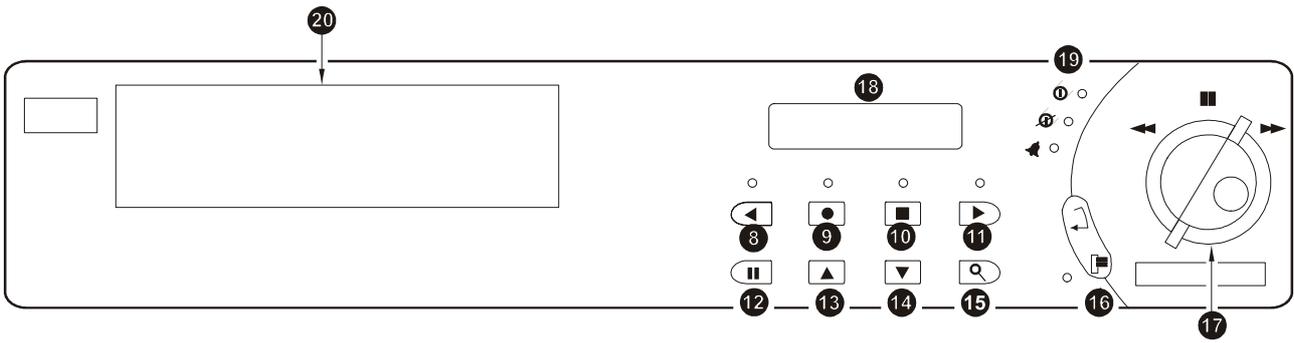
**Testing**

Connect power to the unit and ensure that the power LED illuminates and the LCD screen shows the correct display.

**Identification and Storage of Removable Hard Drives**

It is recommended that any hard drive removed from the unit is immediately identified and stored in accordance with national and local regulations, or any approved codes of practice. This will ensure that any prevailing 'rules of evidence' are not compromised.

FRONT PANEL DISPLAY AND CONTROLS



- 8 Reverse play button - Press this button to playback video in reverse at the normal record speed.
- 9 Record button - Press this button to begin recording.
- 10 Stop button - Press this button to stop recording or playback.
- 11 Play Forward button - Press this button to playback video at the normal record speed.
- 12 Pause button - Press this button to pause playback.
- 13 Increase Record Speed button - Press this button to increase the record or playback speed.
- 14 Decrease Record Speed button - Press this button to decrease the record or playback speed.
- 15 Search button - Press this button to enter the **Search Filters** menu.
- 16 Combination Menu and Enter button - Press the lower half of the button (the **Menu** button) to enter the menu system. This half of the button is also used to exit without saving while in the menu system. Press the upper half of the button (the **Enter** button) to make or confirm a selection in the menu system.
- 17 Jog / Shuttle - The **Jog** (the inner of the two dials) is used for single frame advance while in Pause mode, and is also used to change the value of a parameter while in the menu system. The **Shuttle** (the outer of the two dials) is used to fast forward and rewind while in the Play mode, and is also used to navigate while in the menu system.
- 18 LCD - Displays the time, date, mode, and record or playback speed in pictures per second (pps).
- 19 Indicators - Indicates an alarm condition, power and power loss.
- 20 Removable Hard Drive / CD Recorder - The optional removable hard drive / CD recorder is inserted here.



Front Panel Display

- A Time - Displays the current time in Record and Stop mode. Displays the time the event was recorded in Play and Pause modes.
- B Date - Displays the current date in Record and Stop mode. Displays the date the event was recorded in Play and Pause modes.
- C Mode - Displays the mode (Record, Play, Pause, Stop, Etc.) the unit is in.
- D Record Speed - Displays the normal record or playback speed in pictures per second (pps).

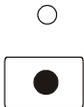
## USER OPERATIONS

**POWERING UP**

Before applying power to the unit, ensure that all the required connection cables are securely connected. Turn on the power and verify that the power LED comes on, and that the default display is shown (e.g. Time/Date etc.). If during normal operation cables need to be connected or disconnected from the unit, the unit must first be powered down.

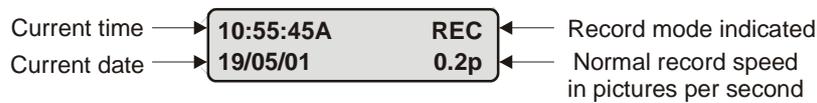
**RECORDING**

To begin recording, press the **Record** button. **RECORD** will be indicated near the upper left hand corner of the primary monitor for three seconds. The unit always starts recording at the end of the previously recorded data.



Recording will continue until:

- Another mode is selected (Play mode, Stop mode, Fast Forward, Etc.).
- The disk is full (in No Overwrite and Overwrite Once modes). See the section **Disk Overwrite Mode** on page 32.
- Video loss is detected. In the event of video loss, **VIDEO LOSS** will be indicated near the upper left hand corner of the primary monitor.



**Normal Record Speed**



The unit records at the normal record speed until an alarm condition is detected. The normal record speed is indicated on the LCD, and can be altered using the **Up/Down Record Speed** buttons, or in the menu system. The normal record speed can be altered while the unit is recording. The options available are 50, 25, 17, 10, 5, 3, 2, 1, 0.5, 0.2, 0.1 and 0.0 pictures per second.

For information about altering the normal record speed using the menu system, see the section **Record Settings** on page 26.

**Alarm Record Speed**

When an alarm condition is detected, the unit automatically switches to the alarm record speed. The alarm condition is indicated in several ways:

- With the word **ALARM**, displayed on the primary monitor, near the upper left hand corner of the screen.
- With the Alarm Indicator LED on the front panel of the unit.
- With the internal buzzer (if activated in the menu system). For information about activating the internal buzzer during alarms, see the section **Alarms** on page 24.
- By an external device, connected to the alarm output of the unit (if the unit is installed that way).

The alarm record speed cannot be changed using the **Up/Down Record Speed** buttons on the front panel. It can only be changed using the menu system. For information about altering the alarm record speed and incident recording in general, see the section **Record Settings** on page 26.

During an alarm condition, the front panel LCD does not change and continues to display the normal record speed, although the unit is recording at alarm record speed. The unit returns to the normal record speed when the alarm condition ends.

**Note:** If a teletext alarm is received from the multiplexer, the DTL must be in Record mode in order to automatically switch to alarm record speed. See the section **Alarms** on page 24 for more information on teletext alarms.

**Disk Full Notification**

When the disk is full, a message will appear on the primary monitor to indicate that the unit has stopped recording, because there is no space to do so.

**In No Overwrite mode:** The user must acknowledge the on-screen message by pressing the **Enter** button. The unit will not record over previously recorded data. To continue recording, the data must be deleted using the **Disk Maintenance** feature. For more details on this feature, see the section **Disk Maintenance** on page 33.

**In Overwrite Once mode:** The user must acknowledge the on-screen message by pressing the **Enter** button. The unit will continue recording again when the user presses the **Record** button.

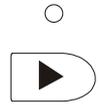
When data is played back on the DTL, the details on the LCD change accordingly:



**Play Forward**

To begin normal playback, press the **Play Forward** button. The unit will begin playing back data from the beginning of the last recording session. Playback is indicated:

- As **PLAY** near the upper left hand corner of the primary monitor, for three seconds.
- As **PLAY>** on the LCD.



**Reverse Play**

To begin reverse playback, press the **Reverse play** button. The unit will begin playing back data from the beginning of the last recording session. Reverse playback is indicated:

- As **REVERSE PLAY** near the upper left hand corner of the primary monitor, for three seconds.
- As **PLAY<** on the LCD.



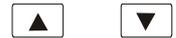
If there is only one recording session on the hard disk, the unit will indicate **START OF DATA** on the primary monitor.

**Playback Speed**

When playback commences, the unit will play the data at the rate it was recorded. However, the user can alter the playback speed using the **Up/Down Record Speed** buttons.

Altering the playback speed overrides any change in playback speed that would occur due to an alarm condition in the playback. To clear the override, press the **Stop** button, then press the **Play** button to resume playback at the speed the data was recorded.

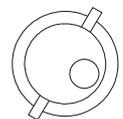
The playback speed is indicated on the LCD in Pictures Per Second.



**Fast Forward & Rewind**

During playback the data can be viewed at a higher than normal rate by rotating the **Shuttle** clockwise. The data can also be viewed at a higher than normal rate in reverse by rotating the **Shuttle** anti-clockwise. Increasing the amount of rotation increases the rate of playback. Fast Forward & Rewind are indicated:

- As **FAST FORWARD** or **REWIND** near the upper left hand corner of the primary monitor, for three seconds.
- As **FFWD** or **REW** on the LCD.



**Pause**

During playback, press the **Pause** button to pause playback and display a single frame on-screen. Pause is indicated:

- As **PAUSE** near the upper left hand corner of the primary monitor, for three seconds.
- As **PAUSE** on the LCD.



Playback is also paused automatically whenever the **Jog** is touched. The **Jog** can then be used to move the video forward or backwards frame by frame.

**Single Frame Advance & Single Frame Rewind**

During Pause mode, rotate the **Jog** dial to view the frame directly before or after the frame displayed on-screen.

**Start of Data & End of Data**

If the start or end of data is reached during playback, **START OF DATA** or **END OF DATA** is indicated near the upper left hand corner of the primary monitor.

THE SEARCH INTERFACE

The Search Interface feature allows the user to search the hard disk for recorded events, such as an alarm condition, or a previous recording session. For example, each time Record mode is activated, it is considered a separate recording session.



To enter the **Search Filters** menu, press the **Search** button. The **Search Filters** menu is displayed on the primary monitor:

Search Filters					
	Start		Stop		
DATE:	12/25/00	[ ]	01/01/01	[ ]	
	(MM/DD/YY)		(MM/DD/YY)		
	Start		Stop		
TIME:	11:11:21	[ ]	12:34:34	[ ]	
	1	2	3	4	5
CAMERA:	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
	6	7	8		
	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
ALARM:	[ ]				
	[CANCEL]		[START SEARCH]		

**Note:** The **Search Filters** menu can also be accessed via the Selective Archive and Restore from Archive features in the menu system. See the section **Archive Setup** on page 28 for more details on these features.

**Selecting a Start and Stop Date / Start and Stop Time**

1. Using the **Shuttle** to navigate, highlight the **DATE** parameter, then press the **Enter** button. The unit will enter Edit mode.
2. Use the **Jog** to change the start and stop date values. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate among the different parameters.
3. To activate the start or stop date parameter, use the **Jog** to place an **[X]** in the check box.
4. Press the **Enter** button at any time to exit Edit mode.
5. To select a Start and Stop Time, repeat steps 1 to 4 with the **TIME** parameter.

**Selecting Cameras and Recorded Alarms**

1. Using the **Shuttle** to navigate, highlight the **CAMERA** parameter, then press the **Enter** button. The unit will enter Edit mode.
2. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate among the different cameras.
3. Use the **Jog** to select a camera (or cameras) that is to be searched for alarms by placing an **[X]** in the check box.
4. Press the **Enter** button to exit Edit mode.
5. Using the **Shuttle** to navigate, highlight the **ALARM** parameter, then press the **Enter** button. The unit re-enters Edit mode.
6. Use the **Jog** to activate the alarms search, by placing an **[X]** in the check box.
7. Press the **Enter** button at any time to exit Edit mode.

**Note:** It is possible to search for all recorded events. To do this, ensure that all the check boxes are blank [ ].

**Starting the Search**

Using the **Shuttle** to navigate, highlight **[START SEARCH]** and then press the **Enter** button. The search results will appear. To select a recorded event from the search results, use the **Shuttle** to highlight the event and then press the **Enter** button. Press the **Menu** button to exit the **Search Results** menu.

A menu system is provided for DTL configuration. The menu system can be viewed when the unit is connected to a monitor. The menu system contains two pull-down menus and a number of pop-up menus, and is accessed by pressing the **Menu** button.



**Pull-down menus**

The pull-down menus are the top-level menus. By making a selection in a pull-down menu, the appropriate sub-menu will open (typically a pop-up menu). Changes to the unit's parameters are usually made in the pop-up menus, not the pull-down menus.

There are two pull-down menus available:

Time/Date
Alarms
Timer Settings
Record Settings
Display Settings
Archive Setup
Main Menu
About DTL

**The Operator menu**

The **Operator** menu provides access to all of the operator programmable options.

It also provides the entry point to the second pull-down menu, via the **Main Menu** option.

For details on this menu, see the section **The Operator Menu**, which begins on page 21.

Disk Overwrite Mode
Disk Maintenance
Audio Record Setting
Auto Delete Mode
Communications
Multiplexer Format
Adjust Picture
Front Panel Lock
Factory Settings
Change Password
Languages
Firmware Upgrade

**The Main menu**

For security reasons, a password is required to access the **Main** menu. This password must be entered when the **Main Menu** option is selected from the **Operator** menu. It is recommended that after installation, this password is changed from the default.

The **Main** menu provides access to all of the installer programmable options.

For details on this menu, see the section **The Main Menu**, which begins on page 31.

**Pop-up menus**

Pop-up menus usually have a parameter (or several parameters) which can be configured by the user. There are two types of pop-up menus:

Adjust Brightness
050
[CANCEL] [OK]

The first type of pop-up menu has **[OK]** or **[CANCEL]** options at the bottom.

Use the **Shuttle** to select the parameter that is to be changed, and then use the **Jog** to change the value. To save the changes and exit the menu, use the **Shuttle** to select **[OK]**, then press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, use the **Shuttle** to select **[CANCEL]**, then press the **Enter** button.

The **Menu** button can also be used to exit the pop-up menu at any time.

Archive Overwrite Mode
Select Mode
Continuous Overwrite

The second type of pop-up menu is different in that there are no **[OK]** or **[CANCEL]** options at the bottom.

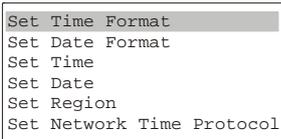
Use the **Jog** to change the value of the parameter. Press the **Enter** button to confirm the selection and exit the menu, or press the **Menu** button to exit the menu without making changes.



## THE OPERATOR MENU

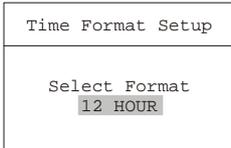
This section covers the Operator menu system

Time/Date
Alarms
Timer Settings
Record Settings
Display Settings
Archive Setup
Main Menu
About DTL



When the **Time/Date** menu item is selected, a sub-menu is displayed. From this sub-menu, the following parameters can be specified:

- The time format: 12 or 24 hours
- The date format: MM/DD/YY, DD/MM/YY, or YY/MM/DD
- The time
- The date
- The region and time zone
- Whether a network time protocol is to be used

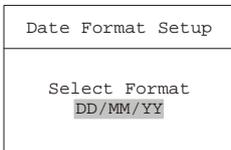


**Set Time Format**

This menu option displays the **Time Format Setup** dialog. In this dialog, use the **Jog** to select the desired time format. The options available are:

- **12 HOUR**
- **24 HOUR**

Press the **Enter** button to confirm the selection and exit the menu.

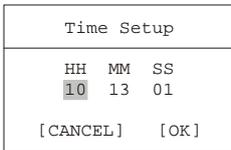


**Set Date Format**

This menu option displays the **Date Format Setup** dialog. In this dialog, use the **Jog** to select the desired date format. The options available are:

- **DD/MM/YY**
- **MM/DD/YY**
- **YY/MM/DD**

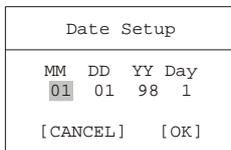
Press the **Enter** button to confirm the selection and exit the menu, or press the **Menu** button to exit the menu without making changes.



**Time Setup**

This menu option displays the **Time Setup** dialog, where the time can be set. To do this:

1. With **HH MM SS** highlighted, press the **Enter** button. The highlighting will move to the row of numbers.
2. Enter the time in Hours, Minutes, and Seconds. Use the **Jog** to change the values. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate among the three fields.
3. Press the **Enter** button to confirm the selection.
4. To save the changes and exit the menu, use the **Jog** to select **[OK]**, then press the **Enter** button. If you want to exit the menu without making changes, use the **Jog** to select **[CANCEL]**, then press the **Enter** button.



**Date Setup**

This menu option displays the **Date Setup** dialog, where the date can be set. To do this:

1. With **MM DD YY DAY** highlighted, press the **Enter** button. The highlighting will move to the row of numbers.
2. Enter the date in Months, Days, Years. The day of the week will update automatically. Use the **Jog** to change the values. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate among the three fields.
3. Press the **Enter** button to confirm the selection.
4. To save the changes and exit the menu, use the **Jog** to select **[OK]**, then press the **Enter** button. If you want to exit the menu without making changes, use the **Jog** to select **[CANCEL]**, then press the **Enter** button.

### Regional Settings

This menu option allows the user to select the region and time zone in which the DTL unit will be used.

Regional Settings	
Daylight saving :	EUR
Time Zone :	GMT (+1)
SUN, 30 MAR 2003 02.48 (+1)	
SUN, 26 OCT 2003 02.48 (-1)	
[CANCEL]	[OK]

1. Using the **Jog**, set the relevant region for the **Daylight Saving** option. The options are:

- **OFF**
- **USA** (Areas within the North American continent)
- **EUR** (Areas within the European continent)
- **AUS** (Areas within the Australasian continent)

The time/date lines at the bottom of the menu are updated with daylight saving information about the selected region.

2. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate to the **Time Zone** field.

3. Using the **Jog**, set the time zone in relation to GMT.

4. To save the changes and exit the menu, use the **Shuttle** to select **[OK]**, then press the **Enter** button. If you want to exit the menu without making changes, use the **Shuttle** to select **[CANCEL]**, then press the **Enter** button.

### Network Time Protocol Setup

The unit can act as a Simple Network Time Protocol Client. When enabled, the DTL unit will retrieve the time and date from a Network Time Protocol Server via UDP packet exchange and the user will never have to set the time manually. To set up Network Time, select the **Set Network Time Protocol** option. The **Network Time Protocol Setup** dialog is displayed:

Network Time Protocol Setup	
Update Interval:	DISABLE
Primary NTP Server:	10. 90.253. 10
Backup NTP Server:	255.255. 0. 0
[CANCEL]	[OK]
Last Update: Never since power-up	
Warning: Region/Time Zone must be set correctly!	

1. Using the **Jog**, set the relevant **Update Interval**. The options are **DISABLE**, **ONCE PER DAY**, **TWICE PER DAY** and **ONCE PER HOUR**.

When Network Time is enabled, the unit will retrieve the time after each power-up and then periodically after the set period of time has elapsed (i.e., 24 hours, 12 hours or 1 hour). The unit will also retrieve the time whenever the user changes the settings in this menu (as long as they don't disable Network Time). To disable Network Time, set **Update Interval** to **DISABLE**.

2. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate to the fields of the **Primary NTP Server** option. This field is used to set the primary NTP server address. Use the **Shuttle** to select which part of the address is to be edited and then use the **Jog** to adjust the value.

3. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate to the fields of the **Backup NTP Server** option. This field is used to set the address of the backup NTP server. This server will only be contacted when the primary server does not answer.

Use the **Shuttle** to select which part of the address is to be edited and then use the **Jog** to adjust the value.

4. To save the changes and exit the menu, use the **Shuttle** to select **[OK]**, then press the **Enter** button. If you want to exit the menu without making changes, use the **Shuttle** to select **[CANCEL]**, then press the **Enter** button.

**Note:** When enabling network time, the user must also set the Regional Settings (see above) to the correct values.

Alarms Menu	
Hardwire Alarm :	Enable
Teletext Alarm :	Disable
Alarm Buzzer :	Enable
[CANCEL] [OK]	

The **Alarms** menu is used to specify:

- Whether an alarm condition will be activated when the unit detects a signal on the Alarm In connection.
- Whether a teletext alarm signal (generated by a multiplexer or other device) will cause the unit to activate an alarm condition.
- Whether the internal buzzer is activated during an alarm condition.

To configure these alarm settings:

1. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate among the fields.
2. Use the **Jog** to change the values of the highlighted fields.
3. To save the changes and exit the menu, use the **Shuttle** to select **[OK]**, then press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, use the **Shuttle** to select **[CANCEL]**, then press the **Enter** button.

### Connecting to Dedicated Micros (DM)

A feature unique to the DTL is the ability to detect alarms via teletext provided within the video signal. Standard Time Lapse VCRs can only detect an alarm if the alarm output signal of the multiplexer is wired directly to the alarm input of the VCR.

This alarm detecting feature of the DTL is compatible with the following styles of multiplexers:

- ZMX
- Philips
- Robot

To use this function on a Dedicated Micros multiplexers, you need to:

1. Connect the alarm output of the multiplexer to the alarm input of the DTL (as you would do when connecting the alarm input on standard time-lapse VCR).
2. In the **Alarms** menu, set the **Hardwire Alarm** option to **Enable**.
3. Set the **Teletext Alarm** option to **Disable**.

DATE	START	STOP	SPD(pps)	QUALITY	ON/OFF
31	16:45	17:05	20	High	On
Sat	07:55	08:10	10	Med	Off
Mon-Fri	09:56	11:05	60	Low	On
Sat-Sun	14:23	14:50	60	High	On
Mon-Sun	02:23	03:34	20	Med	Off
--	--:--	--:--	--	--	--
[OK]					
EDIT Mode		Hit "ENTER" to Toggle EDIT Mode			

This menu item allows the user to program a timed-recorded event. Use this menu to specify:

- The date, or days on which the recording will occur.
- The start and stop time.
- The record speed.
- The record quality.
- Whether the event is enabled.

### Creating a Timed Recording

1. Using the **Shuttle** to navigate, highlight the **DAY** parameter of the last line item (indicated with double dash marks).
2. Press the **Enter** button to enter Edit mode. **EDIT MODE** will appear on-screen, in the lower left-hand corner of the **Timer Settings** menu. The user can exit Edit mode at any time by pressing the **Enter** button.
3. Use the **Jog** to change the values of the **DATE** setting. The values available are:
  - Date (Day of the Month) - 1 through 31
  - Day of the Week - Monday through Sunday
  - Range of Days - All Weekdays (Monday-Friday), All Weekend Days (Saturday-Sunday), Monday-Sunday (Everyday)

4. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate to the **START** setting.
5. Use the **Jog/Shuttle** to enter the time the recording will begin. The hours and minutes are edited separately. The start and stop times are always configured in a 24-hour clock.
6. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate to the **STOP** setting.
7. Use the **Jog/Shuttle** to enter the time the recording will end. Entering a time before the start time will cause the unit to record until the indicated stop time on the next day.
8. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate to the **SPD** setting.
9. Use the **Jog** to enter the record speed in pictures per second. The **PAL Record Speeds** available are **50, 25, 17, 10, 5, 3, 2, 1, 0.5, 0.2, 0.1** and **0.0** (where **0.0** is alarm event recording).
10. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate to the **QUALITY** setting.
11. Use the **Jog** to enter the record quality (**Low, Medium, or High**). Higher record quality settings use more disk space.
12. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate to the **ON/OFF** setting.
13. Use the **Jog** to activate, deactivate or delete the recording.
14. When finished, press the **Enter** button to exit Edit mode. Use the **Jog** to navigate to **[OK]**, then press the **Enter** button to complete the selection.

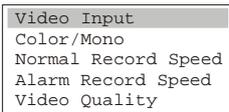
#### **Editing a Timed Recording**

1. Using the **Jog/Shuttle** to navigate, highlight the event parameter you wish to edit.
2. Press the **Enter** button to enter Edit mode. **EDIT MODE** will appear on-screen, in the lower left-hand corner of the pop-up menu.
3. Use the **Jog** to change the values. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate among parameters in the same row.
4. When finished, press the **Enter** button to exit Edit mode. Use the **Jog** to navigate to **[OK]**, then press the **Enter** button to complete the selection.

#### **Deleting a Timed Recording**

1. Using the **Shuttle** to navigate, highlight the **ON/OFF** parameter of the event you wish to delete.
2. Press the **Enter** button to enter Edit mode.
3. Use the **Jog** to select **DEL**.
4. Press the **Enter** button to confirm the selection and exit Edit mode.
5. Use the **Jog** to navigate to **[OK]**, then press the **Enter** button to remove the selection and exit the menu.

RECORD SETTINGS



When the **Record Settings** menu item is selected, a sub-menu is displayed. From this sub-menu, the user can specify:

- Which video input on the rear panel is activated.
- Whether the video input is recorded in full colour or monochrome.
- The record speed during normal recording.
- The record speed when the unit detects an alarm condition.
- The recorded picture quality.



**Video Input**

To select a video input, use the **Jog** to select either:

- **Composite Video** - A video input with BNC style connector.
- **SVHS Video** - A Y/C video input with 4-pin mini-DIN style connector.

To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

**△ CAUTION**

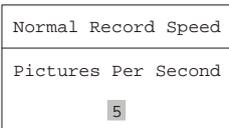
**Do not connect both SVHS and Composite video inputs at the same time.**



**Colour/Mono**

If using the DTL unit in conjunction with a monochrome camera use the **Jog** to set the option to **Mono**. This reduces file size. Otherwise set to **Auto**.

To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

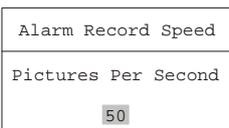


**Normal Record Speed**

Use the **Jog** to select the desired Normal Record Speed. The options available are **50, 25, 17, 10, 5, 3, 2, 1, 0.5, 0.2, 0.1** and **0.0** pictures per second.

**When the normal record speed is set to 0.0, the unit will only record while an alarm is active.**

To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.



**Alarm Record Speed**

Use the **Jog** to select the desired Alarm Record Speed. The options available are **50, 25, 17, 10, 5, 3, 2, 1, 0.5, 0.2,** and **0.1** pictures per second.

To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.



**Video Quality**

Use the **Jog** to select the desired Video Quality. The available options are **High, Medium, Standard** or **Custom**. Higher record quality's use lower compression, requiring more disk space.

When **Custom** is selected, the user can use the **Shuttle** to move to the **Select Filesize** option. The user can then use the **Jog** to select a record quality ranging from 13 kilobytes (the level for **Standard** video quality) and 33 kilobytes (the level for **High** video quality). **Multiplexer Format** (see the section **Multiplexer Format** on page 34) must be set to **None** for the **Custom** option to be enabled.

To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

**DISPLAY SETTINGS**

Current Time / Date
Record Capacity
Archive Status
Last Alarm
Record / Playback Speed
Playback Time / Date

When the **Display Settings** menu item is selected, a sub-menu is displayed. From this sub-menu, you can specify what status information will be displayed on the primary monitor. Select **ON** or **OFF**, for the following items:

- The current time and date.
- The remaining amount of time before the hard disk runs out of record space.
- The archive status.
- The time and date of the last alarm.
- During playback, the speed at which the recording was made.
- During playback, the time and date the recording was made.

**Current Time / Date**

Select this menu item to set whether the current time and date should be displayed near the upper right hand corner of the primary monitor.

Use the **Jog** to select **ON** or **OFF**. To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

**Record Capacity**

Select this menu item to set whether the amount of time remaining before the hard disk runs out of record space should be displayed near the upper left hand corner of the primary monitor. If it is displayed, the unit shows the record capacity with two measures of time, and switches automatically depending on the amount of time remaining:

- Days and Hours
- Hours and Minutes
- Minutes and Seconds

Use the **Jog** to select **ON** or **OFF**. To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

**Archive Status**

Select this menu item to set whether the archive status should be displayed in the upper centre part of the screen on the primary monitor. If it is displayed, the unit will display either:

- **ARCHIVE NOT CONNECTED**
- **ARCHIVE READY**
- **ARCHIVE NOT READY**

Use the **Jog** to select **ON** or **OFF**. To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

**Last Alarm**

Select this menu item to set whether the time and date of the last alarm should be displayed near the upper right hand corner of the primary monitor. The unit will display **NONE** if there are no previous records of an alarm.

Use the **Jog** to select **ON** or **OFF**. To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

**Record/Playback Speed**

Select this menu item to set whether the speed of the recording should be displayed near the upper right hand corner of the primary monitor.

Use the **Jog** to select **ON** or **OFF**. To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

**Playback Time / Date**

Select this menu item to set whether the time and date the recording was made (during playback) should be displayed near the upper right hand corner of the screen.

Use the **Jog** to select **ON** or **OFF**. To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

Use this section in conjunction with the External Archiving Devices Appendix found at the back of this manual.

Selective archive
Restore from archive
Background archive
Quickwave Setup
Archive Overwrite Mode
Erase Archive Medium

When the **Archive Setup** menu item is selected, a sub-menu is displayed. Use this sub-menu to:

- Select data to be archived and begin the archiving process.
- Restore data from an archive device.
- Enable background archiving.
- Enable the Quickwave viewer program to be burnt to a blank CD.
- Specify how the unit will handle overwrite issues when the archive medium becomes full.
- Erase the archived data.

**Selective archive**

The Selective Archive feature allows the user to archive recorded data from the hard disk onto a CD or DVD, for later viewing on a PC. If files are to be added to a CD or DVD, insert a blank CD or DVD before selecting this option. Recorded data can also be archived to a DAT or an AIT.

When this menu item is selected, the **Archive Search Filters** menu is displayed. This allows the user to search the hard disk for recorded events, such as an alarm condition, or a previous recording session. The menu is completed in the same way as the **Search Filters** menu—see the section **The Search Interface** on page 18.

When archiving, there is also a **Target** field, which is used to select the archive medium. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate to this item and press **Enter** if the value is to be changed. The field is then activated, and the **Jog** can be used to choose between the currently available media (i.e., Internal CD/DVD, External SCSI). If only one archiving device is connected, there is no need to select this field as the available medium will be automatically detected.

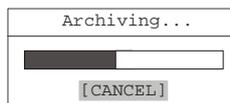
When a search has been completed, the results are displayed in the **Archive Search Results** dialog:

Archive Search Results				
	Start Date	Start Time	Size(MB)	
000	11/28/2000	17:52:14	26842	[ ]
001	11/29/2000	09:35:20	2062	[ ]
002	11/29/2000	10:00:04	278	[x]
003	11/29/2000	10:03:25	66	[x]
			Selected [ 383 ] (MB)	
			Available Target on Medium [ 652 ] (MB)	
"ENTER" to play		"SEARCH" to archive		

**Note:** If no archiving device is connected, the **Archive Search Results** dialog will display a no data available message.

It is now possible to select and archive recorded events:

1. Using the **Jog** to navigate, highlight the recorded event that is to be archived.
2. Use the **Shuttle** to select the recorded event by placing an **[X]** in the check box.
3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 to select all the recorded events that are to be archived.
4. Press the **Search** button. The archiving progress bar will appear. Press the **Enter** button to cancel archiving at any time.

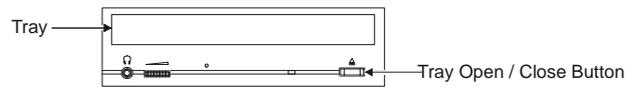


5. When the unit is finished archiving, a completion message will appear. Press the **Enter** button to acknowledge the message and complete the archiving process.

**Using CD/DVD Recorders**

DTL Series recorders fitted with a CD or DVD Recorder can archive video onto CD/DVD using the following procedure:

1. Open the CD/DVD Recorder tray by pressing the Tray Open / Close button.



2. Insert a blank disk into the tray. It should be noted that if **Quickwave Setup** has been enabled (see page 30), the unit will automatically upload the viewer files to the disk. If Quickwave is not to be used, ensure that this option is disabled first.
3. Close the tray by pressing the Tray Open / Close button. If the disk is not inserted properly a **MEDIUM NOT PRESENT** error message is generated when trying to archive.
4. Select the recorded event(s) and archive them using the previous process, '**Selective archive**'. The maximum amount of video data that can be archived on a disk is less than the disk capacity, due to the overhead and housekeeping requirements of the system.

**Limitations on CD/DVD Operations**

- CD's used must have a minimum write speed of 4X and a minimum read speed of 16X.
- Restoring (copying a file from a CD/DVD to the Digital Recorder hard disk drive) is not supported.
- Erasing a file recorded on a CD/DVD is not supported.
- Playback of files recorded on a CD/DVD, through the Digital Recorder, is not supported.

**Restore from archive**

The DTL supports data restoration to the hard disk from an archive device.

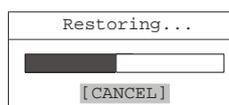
To do this, select the **Restore From Archive** menu item. The **Restore Search Filters** menu is displayed, and from this menu the user can search the archive device for the data that is to be restored. The menu is completed in the same way as the **Search Filters** menu—see the section **The Search Interface** on page 18.

When a search has been completed, the results are displayed **Restore Archive Search Results** dialog:

Restore Search Results			
	Start Date	Start Time	Size(MB)
000	11/28/2000	17:52:14	26842 [ ]
001	11/29/2000	09:35:20	2062 [ ]
002	11/29/2000	10:00:04	278 [x]
003	11/29/2000	10:03:25	66 [x]
			Selected [ 383 ] (MB)
			Available Target on Medium [ 29216 ] (MB)
"ENTER" to play		"SEARCH" to restore	

It is now possible to select and restore archived events:

1. Using the **Jog** to navigate, highlight the archived event that is to be restored.
2. Use the **Shuttle** to select the archived event by placing an **[X]** in the check box.
3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 to select all the archived events that are to be restored.
4. Press the **Search** button. The restoring progress bar will appear. Press the **Enter** button to cancel the restoring process at any time.



5. When the event has been restored, a completion message will appear. Press the **Enter** button to acknowledge the message and complete the process.

**Background archive**

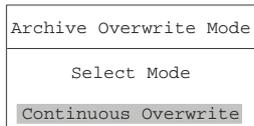
With the Background Archiving feature turned on, the unit archives recorded data automatically. Data is recorded to both the hard disk and the archiving device simultaneously.

Use the Jog to select **ON** or **OFF**. To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

**Note:** Video with 25pps and above, audio or high resolution is unsuitable for background archiving.

**Quickwave Setup**

The DTL unit can be used to create a Quickwave evidential CD or DVD. To enable the creation of such disks, use the **Shuttle** to select **ON**. Once this option has been enabled, a blank disk can be inserted into the CD/DVD tray and the unit will automatically upload all the necessary files for the Quickwave program to the disk. Once this initial upload has been carried out, the disk will be left open to allow data to be added using the **Selective Archive** option. Once this is completed, the disk is closed and can then be viewed on any PC.



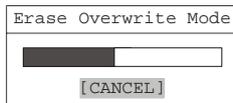
**Archive Overwrite Mode**

Specify how the unit will handle overwrite issues when the archive medium becomes full. This feature is only available when using an auto loader.

The unit handles archive overwrite issues in three ways:

- No Overwrite
- Overwrite Once
- Continuous Overwrite

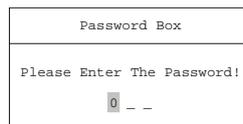
Use the **Jog** to make the selection. To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.



**Erase Archive Medium**

To erase all archived data from the connected archive device (e.g., DAT and AIT devices), move the cursor to this menu item and press the **Enter** button. The erasing media progress bar will appear. Press the **Enter** button to cancel erasing at any time. When the unit is finished erasing the data, a message box will appear confirming that the process has finished. Press the **Enter** button to acknowledge the message and complete the erasing process.

This feature is not available when archiving to a CD or DVD Recorder.



For security reasons, a password is provided to limit access to the **Main** menu. By selecting this menu item, a password entry box is displayed and the Main Menu Password must be entered correctly in order to gain access to the **Main** menu.

Use the **Jog** to select a number, then use the **Enter** button to confirm the selection and move to the next number. Pressing the **Enter** button on the last number will complete the password entry. If the password has been entered correctly, the **Main** menu will be displayed.

See the section **Passwords** on page 8 for more details.

Select this menu item to view read-only information about the DTL unit. This information includes the serial number and network setting information.

## THE MAIN MENU

This section covers the Main menu system

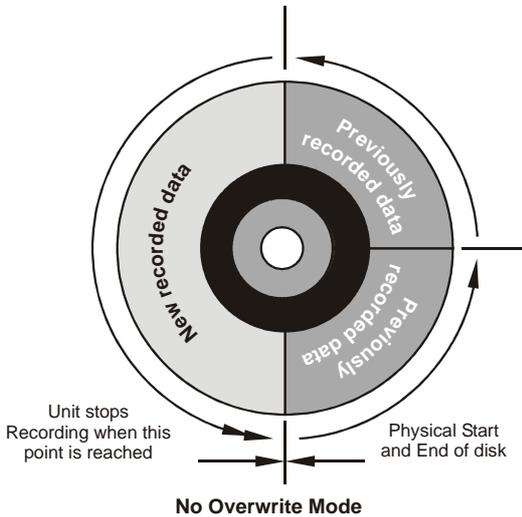
Disk Overwrite Mode
Disk Maintenance
Audio Record Setting
Auto Delete Mode
Communications
Multiplexer Format
Adjust Picture
Front Panel Lock
Factory Settings
Change Password
Languages
Firmware Upgrade

**DISK OVERWRITE MODE**

Disk Overwrite Mode
Select Mode
Continuous Overwrite

The **Disk Overwrite Mode** menu item is used to specify how the unit will handle disk overwrite issues once the hard disk becomes full. The DTL can handle disk overwrite issues in three ways:

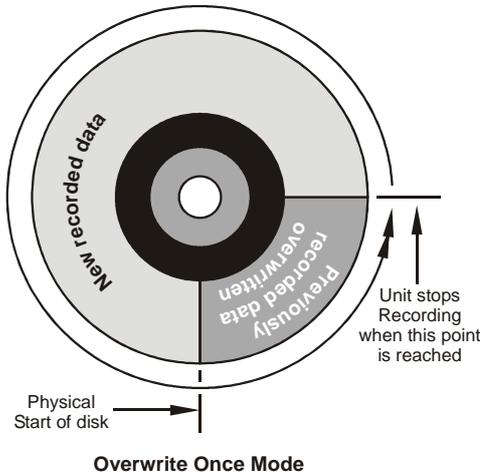
- **No Overwrite**
- **Overwrite Once**
- **Continuous Overwrite**



**No Overwrite**

When **No Overwrite** mode is selected, the DTL will function as follows:

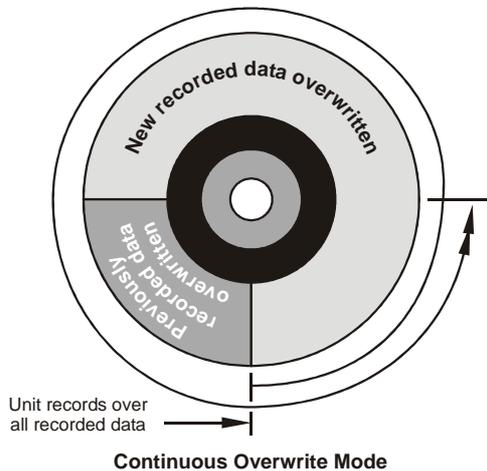
- Recording always starts at end of last recording.
- Recording stops when end of disk is reached (when disk is full).
- When the end of the disk is reached, the unit displays an on-screen message indicating that the disk is full, and the unit has stopped recording. User must acknowledge the on-screen message by pressing the **Enter** button.
- The DTL will not record over previously recorded data. To continue recording, the data must be erased (or deleted). See the section **Disk Maintenance** on page 33 for details on how to do this.



**Overwrite Once**

When **Overwrite Once** mode is selected, the DTL will function as follows:

- Recording always starts at end of last recording.
- The unit overwrites all previously recorded data.
- Recording stops before the unit overwrites any of the new recorded data (data from the current record session).
- When the end of the disk is reached, the unit displays an on-screen message indicating that the disk is full, and the unit has stopped recording. User must acknowledge the on-screen message by pressing the **Enter** button.
- The unit will continue recording again when the user presses the **Record** button.



**Continuous Overwrite Mode**

When **Continuous Overwrite** mode is selected, the DTL will function as follows:

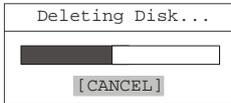
- Recording always starts at end of last recording.
- The unit overwrites all previously recorded data.
- The unit overwrites new recorded data (data from the current record session).
- Unit never stops recording.
- Record capacity display will not count down.

**DISK MAINTENANCE**



From the **Disk Maintenance** sub-menu, the user can have previously recorded information:

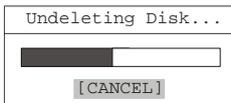
- Deleted (with the possibility of restoring it).
- Undeleted (restored if it has not yet been overwritten).
- Erased (removed with no possibility of restoring it).



**Delete**

To begin deleting the disk, use the **Jog** to select **Delete**, then press the **Enter** button. The **Deleting Disk** dialog will appear and the unit will begin deleting the oldest recorded information immediately. To stop the delete process, select **[CANCEL]** by pressing the **Enter** button.

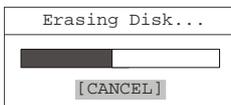
Data that was deleted before **[CANCEL]** was selected will remain deleted unless **UNDELETE DISK** is selected.



**UnDelete**

To restore information that was previously deleted, use the **Jog** to select **UnDelete**, then press the **Enter** button.

To stop the restore process, select **[CANCEL]** by pressing the **Enter** button.



**Erase**

To begin erasing the disk, use the **Jog** to select **Erase**, then press the **Enter** button. To stop the erasing process, select **[CANCEL]** by pressing the **Enter** button. Data that was erased before **[CANCEL]** was selected will remain deleted permanently.

**△ CAUTION**

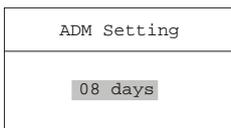
**Erasing the disk removes recorded data without the possibility of restoring it.**

**AUDIO RECORD SETTING**

Selecting this menu item will display a sub-menu from which audio recording can be turned on or off. If audio recording is to be enabled, the compression rate will be G.711 (64kb/s).

Use the **Jog** to select **ON** or **OFF**. To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

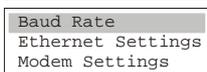
**AUTO DELETE MODE**



By selecting this menu item, the auto-delete function can be set. Use the **Jog** to select a number of days (between 1 - 99). Data older than the number of days selected will automatically be prevented from being displayed. Or select **OFF** if this function is not to be used. This feature may be required by law under the Data Protection Act.

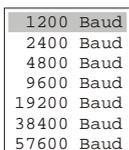
To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

**COMMUNICATIONS (INCLUDING ETHERNET SETTINGS)**



When the **Communications** menu item is selected, a sub-menu is displayed. Use this sub-menu to specify:

- The data transfer rate for the RS232 serial port.
- The Ethernet network connection settings for the DTL.



**Baud Rate**

Use the **Jog** to select the required baud rate.

To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

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**COMMUNICATIONS (INCLUDING ETHERNET SETTINGS)**


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**Ethernet Settings**

An Ethernet session is an active network connection between a PC and the DTL unit, with the user viewing live camera images or accessing data stored on the hard disk.

When the **Ethernet Settings** menu item is first selected, a message appears to warn the user that the machine may restart if any values change. To continue, Select **OK** to continue. The **Ethernet Settings** menu is displayed, and this menu is used to adjust the Ethernet settings for the network:

Ethernet Settings	
Hostname	: V201E2200362
Ethernet	: ENABLE
DHCP	: DISABLE
Name Service	: DISABLE
IP Address	: 10 . 90.253. 10
Subnet Mask	: 255.255. 0. 0
Gateway	: 10 . 90. 0. 1
Primary Name Server	: 0. 0. 0. 0
Backup Name Server	: 0. 0. 0. 0
TCP MTU Size	: Standard
[ CANCEL ] [ OK ]	

If **Ethernet** is enabled but **DHCP** and **Name Service** are disabled, the user can set the **IP Address**, **Subnet Mask** and **Gateway** manually.

If the unit is connected to a DHCP server, the user should enable both **Ethernet** and **DHCP**. The unit will obtain all the required IP information automatically from the DHCP server. Unless the unit is turned off for three days or more, the unit will always receive the same IP details.

If the unit is connected to a WINS server, the user should enable both **Ethernet** and **Name Service**. The user must specify the address of the **Primary Name Server** and **Backup Name Server**, and can also specify the other **IP Address**, **Subnet Mask** and **Gateway** manually. The unit will register its hostname at the specified name server, and this hostname can then be used for ping (e.g., ping V2019230424) and web access (<http://V2019230424>).

For all options the user can set a **MTU Size (Standard, 1200 or 1400)**, which is the maximum data packet size that the unit will transmit onto a network.

Use the **Shuttle** to navigate to the desired setting, then use the **Jog** to adjust the value. Consult with your local MIS personnel before making changes to the Ethernet settings. To confirm selections and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

**Note:** During the Ethernet session, the unit can only be accessed remotely, using the WaveReader software. Playback stops when an Ethernet session is started. Playback will not be reactivated automatically when the Ethernet session ends.

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**MULTIPLEXER FORMAT**


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None
ZMX
Robot
DM
Philips
Pelco
Sanyo
ATV
ATV QSP
Vista VLM
Panasonic
Quest DMV
VideoArt
Tecton DRAX

The DTL is compatible with several different brands of multiplexers. Use this menu to specify the type of multiplexer in use.

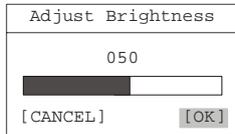
If the unit is connected to a multiplexer, use the **Jog** to select the multiplexer format. If the unit is not connected to a multiplexer, select **None**. It is also possible to select **None** when multiplexers that comply with PAL/NTSC standards for Teletext are being used. Providing the multiplexer uses Teletext encoding on video line 26 and above, then the **None** setting should record them.

To save the changes and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

## ADJUST PICTURE

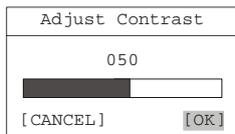
Brightness  
Contrast  
Saturation

By selecting the options from the **Adjust Picture** menu, it is possible to specify the **Brightness**, **Contrast** and **Saturation** of the video input. Any adjustments made to the video input will alter the recorded image.

**Brightness**

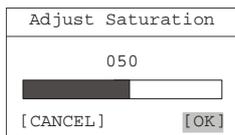
Use this menu item to increase or decrease the brightness of the image.

1. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate to the numbers.
2. Use the **Jog** to increase or decrease to brightness.
3. To save the changes and exit the menu, use the **Jog** to select **[OK]**, then press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, use the **Jog** to select **[CANCEL]**, then press the **Enter** button.

**Contrast**

Use this menu item to increase or decrease the contrast of the image.

1. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate to the numbers.
2. Use the **Jog** to increase or decrease to contrast.
3. To save the changes and exit the menu, use the **Jog** to select **[OK]**, then press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, use the **Jog** to select **[CANCEL]**, then press the **Enter** button.

**Saturation**

Use this menu item to increase or decrease the saturation of the image.

1. Use the **Shuttle** to navigate to the numbers.
2. Use the **Jog** to increase or decrease to saturation.
3. To save the changes and exit the menu, use the **Jog** to select **[OK]**, then press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, use the **Jog** to select **[CANCEL]**, then press the **Enter** button.

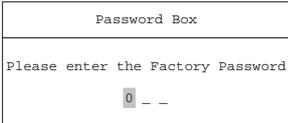
## FRONT PANEL LOCK

Unlock Keyboard  
Lock Keyboard

When this menu item is selected, a sub-menu is displayed. Use this sub-menu to lock or unlock the buttons on the front panel of the DTL.

Use the **Jog** to select **Unlock Keyboard** or **Lock Keyboard**. To confirm the selection and exit the menu, press the **Enter** button. To exit the menu without making changes, press the **Menu** button.

**FACTORY SETTINGS**

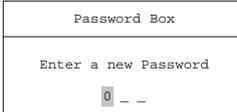


This menu item is used to reset the DTL to factory defaults.

When the item is selected, a password dialog is displayed, where the Factory Password must be entered. Use the **Jog** to select a number, then use the **Enter** button to confirm the selection and move to the next number. Pressing the **Enter** button on the last number will complete the password entry and return the unit to the factory default configuration.

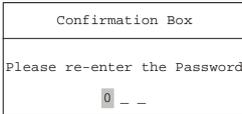
For more details on the Factory Password, see the section **Passwords** on page 8.

**CHANGE PASSWORD**



This menu item is used to enter a new Main Menu Password.

Use the **Jog** to select a number, then use the **Enter** button to confirm the selection and move to the next number. Pressing the **Enter** button on the last number will complete the new password and open a confirmation box.



Re-enter the new password. Pressing the **Enter** button on the last number will complete the password entry.



If the password entered in the confirmation box matches the new password that was entered, this message will appear. Press the **Enter** button to select **[OK]** and exit the menu.



If the password entered in the confirmation box does not match the new password that was entered, this message will appear. Press the **Enter** button to select **[OK]** and exit the menu.

**LANGUAGES**



This menu item is used to select the language in which the menu system should be displayed. Currently, the menu system can be displayed in either **English** or **French**. Use the **Shuttle** to select the required language and press the **Enter** button to confirm the selection.

**FIRMWARE UPGRADE**

This menu item is used by Service Personnel when upgrading the product. It should not be operated by the user. Should the user select the menu item by mistake, use the **Shuttle** then the **Enter** button to select **Cancel** to exit the menu.

**RS232 REMOTE PROTOCOL**

The RS232 protocol command structure uses “Start of Text” and “End of Text” characters to identify the beginning and end of command sequences.

The table below shows the command sequences that are supported by the DTL. All byte values are shown in hexadecimal.

Play forward	02	46	50	4c	03
Record	02	52	45	43	03
Stop	02	53	54	4f	03
Pause	02	50	41	55	03
Fast forward	02	46	57	44	03
Rewind	02	52	45	57	03
Frame forward	02	46	41	44	03
Frame reverse	02	52	41	44	03
Play reverse	02	52	50	4c	03
Increase speed	02	49	53	50	03
Decrease speed	02	44	53	50	03
Search	02	53	45	41	03
Up arrow	02	41	52	55	03
Down arrow	02	41	52	44	03
Left arrow	02	41	52	4c	03
Down arrow	02	41	52	52	03
Menu	02	4d	45	4e	03
Enter	02	45	4e	54	03
Set Clock	See the following section.				

**Setting the Clock**

The following table shows the command sequence for setting the clock:

<b>Command</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Value</b>	02	43	4C	4B	20	<b>y1</b>	<b>y2</b>	2D	<b>m1</b>	<b>m2</b>

<b>Command</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Value</b>	2D	<b>d1</b>	<b>d2</b>	2C	<b>h1</b>	<b>h2</b>	3A	<b>f1</b>	<b>f2</b>	03

Bold text in the Value row of this table indicate the correct positions for each byte of data in the command string.

Place the hexadecimal value of the desired ASCII character into the command string. Enter a two digit value for the Year, Month, Day, Hour, and Minute into the command string. Each digit is a separate byte. Use the last two digits of the year for the year value (For example, 2003 is entered as 03). Time is always designated in Military Time.

**Example**

In this example, 14:39 on December 25, 2000 is used to demonstrate the Set Clock Command String.

	Notation Used in Value Column	ASCII Character of Desired Value	Hex Value entered into command string
Year Character #1	y1	0	30
Year Character #2	y2	0	30
Month Character #1	m1	1	31
Month Character #2	m2	2	32
Day Character #1	d1	2	32
Day Character #2	d2	5	35
Hour Character #1	h1	1	31
Hour Character #2	h2	4	34
Minute Character #1	f1	3	33
Minute Character #2	f2	9	39

The final Set Clock Command String for 14:39 on December 25, 2000 would appear as follows:

<b>Command</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Value</b>	02	43	4C	4B	20	30	30	2D	31	32

<b>Command</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Value</b>	2D	32	35	2C	31	34	3A	33	39	03

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**FACTORY DEFAULTS**

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<b>Function</b>	<b>Setting</b>
Time Format	24 Hour
Date Format	MM/DD/YY
Hardwire Alarm	Enabled
Teletext Alarm	Enabled
Alarm Buzzer	Disabled
Record Input	Composite
Normal Record Speed	50 pictures per seconds (PAL)
Alarm Record Speed	50 pictures per seconds (PAL)
Record Quality	High
Display Current Time and Date	Off
Display Record Capacity	Off
Display Last Alarm	Off
Display Archive Status	Off
Display Playback Time and Date	Off
Background Archive Mode	Off
Archive Overwrite Mode	Continuous Overwrite
Disk Overwrite Mode	Continuous Overwrite
Auto Delete Mode	Off
Baud Rate	9600
Multiplexer	None
Brightness	50%
Contrast	50%
Saturation	50%
Front Panel Locked	Off
Main Menu Password	347
Factory Settings Password	811

**TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS****General**

Power Supply	110-230 V AC, 50/60Hz
Power Consumption	<50 Watts nominal (Maximum with dual hard drives and an internal CD Recorder)
Operating Temperature Range	0 to +40°C
Operating Humidity Range	10% to 80% relative humidity, non-condensing
Storage Temperature Range	-20 to +60°C
Storage Humidity Range	10% to 95% relative humidity, non-condensing
Dimensions W x D x H	438 x 385 x 88 mm (17.3 x 15.2 x 3.5 inches)
Weight	8.5 kg (18.74 lbs) max.

**Connections**

Ethernet Port	10/100 Mb RJ45
Power Connector	3.5mm Jack Plug
Accessory I/O Port	Block connector
SCSI-2 Port	50 pin High Density, SCSI-2 Connector
RS-232 Serial Port	9 Pin D-type
SVHS In	4-pin mini-DIN connector (See caution below)
SVHS Out	4-pin mini-DIN connector
Composite Video In	BNC connector (See caution below)
Composite Video Out	BNC connector
Audio In	RCA connector
Audio Out	RCA connector

**△ CAUTION**

**Do not connect both video inputs at the same time.**

**Video**

Video Signal Input	0.7 to 1.4 V peak-to-peak, with AGC
Video Signal Output	1 V peak-to-peak into 75-ohm
Input Termination	75 Ohm, composite video
Colours	Y:U:V 4:2:2, 16.8 Million colours
Gray Scale	256 Levels
Horizontal Resolution	720 Pixels
Vertical Resolution	484 Lines
Compression Standard	Wavelets

**Onscreen Video Indicators**

Archive Status	Pause	Rewind
End of Data	Play	Start of Data
Fast Forward	Record Capacity	Time and Date
Last Alarm	Reverse Play	Video Loss

## **ARCHIVING TO EXTERNAL TAPE DEVICES**

This appendix covers the use of external archiving devices

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**USING TAPE DRIVES**

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The Digital Recorder supports the connection of both DAT (Digital Archive Tape) and AIT (Advanced Intelligent Tape) devices via the SCSI-2 port. DAT tapes and drives are available in DDS1 (2GB), DDS2 (4GB), DDS3 (12GB) and DDS4 (25GB) capacities. The Digital Recorder supports only DDS3 and DDS4 tape drives. AIT tapes and drives are available in AIT1 (25GB) and AIT2 (50GB) capacities. The Digital Recorder supports both.

Both the DAT and AIT devices are available in multiple tape configurations. These are called Autoloader or Carousel devices. The DAT Autoloader magazine holds eight tapes or seven tapes and a cleaning cartridge. The seven tapes with a cleaning cartridge configuration is recommended for DAT Autoloaders. The AIT Carousel unit holds four tapes.

While less complex, the operation of single tape DAT and AIT devices is very similar to the multiple tape devices. Most of the same buttons and indicators are present. As a result, this appendix will cover operation of the more complex Autoloader units in greater detail than the single tape devices.

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**USING SINGLE TAPE UNITS**

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Single tape DAT devices may be used for selective archiving but are not recommended for background archiving operations. This is because the units have a diagnostic routine that stops the recording operation after each 24 hours of continuous use. When this occurs, the unit requires that a cleaning tape be inserted before recording operations can begin again. This presents the possibility that recording may halt in the middle of an extended archiving situation. AIT single tape devices and Autoloader units do not have this limitation.

The single tape units have an EJECT button, a POWER button, and LEDs for unit status. These may include STATUS (cleaning required and fault condition), TAPE (tape present or tape fault), BUSY (tape present and busy) and a POWER indicator. The exact names and quantity of indicators varies with the different manufacturers products and drive type. The EJECT button will unload a tape from the drive and eject it from the unit. The tape cartridge has a write-protection tab, which prevents data being written to it.

To use the unit, press the POWER switch on the front panel. The POWER indicator should light, and the LEDs may blink or be on steady as the unit performs a self test. When the self-test is completed a tape cartridge may be inserted. The indicators may blink if the tape cartridge is write protected, and there is normally some indication of a BUSY status before the tape is fully loaded.

Software drivers in the Digital Recorder control the reading and writing operations of the tape. When the unit is reading or writing, a BUSY status should be visible. For more information on how to search for and select data for archiving, see the section **Archive Setup** on page 28.

To remove a tape from the unit, press the EJECT button. The cartridge will eject automatically. Do not push the EJECT button while the unit is indicating a BUSY status. To do so will result in lost data and may also destroy data on the tape.

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**USING AUTOLOADER DEVICES**

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The Autoloader devices may have a SELECT button, an EJECT button, an LCD display, and status LEDs for tape present and busy status. The SELECT button is automatically disabled once the tape load sequence begins. Tape selection will be controlled by software. The EJECT button will unload a tape from the drive and eject the full magazine from the Autoloader. The magazine has a write-protection tab, which prevents data being written to all tapes in the magazine.

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**LOADING THE MAGAZINE**

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For correct operation, the magazine should contain from one to eight data tapes, depending on the unit being used. Some of the possible configurations are as follows:

**One Data Tape**

**SONY TSL-S9000L: (DDS3)** - Requires a single data tape in Slot 8. Proceed as follows:

1. The tape should be labelled as tape 1 before being inserted into the magazine. In this mode, the Autoloader functions as a single tape drive device.
2. If Slot 8 of the magazine contains a cleaning tape, the cleaning tape will be loaded into the drive, the tape heads will be cleaned, and the tape will be returned to the magazine.

**Four Data Tapes**

**SONY TSL-SA300C: (AIT1)** - Requires four data tapes in the magazine. Proceed as follows:

1. The tapes should be labelled as tape 1 to 4 before they are inserted into the magazine.
2. Insert tapes 2 and 1 (in that order) into the bottom shelf.
3. Insert tapes 3 and 4 (in that order) into the top shelf.

**Note:** All four tapes must be loaded in order for this unit to work.

**Seven Data Tapes**

**SONY TSL-S9000L: (DDS3)** - Requires seven data tapes and one cleaning tape in the magazine. Proceed as follows:

1. The tapes should be labelled as tape 1 to 7 before they are inserted into the magazine.
2. The magazine should contain seven tapes in slots 1 to 7, and a cleaning tape in slot 8 to operate correctly.

**Eight Data Tapes**

**SONY TSL-S9000L: (DDS3)** - Requires eight data tapes and no cleaning tape. Proceed as follows:

1. In this case, it is the operator's responsibility to clean the tape drive periodically. Because data can be lost if the heads become dirty during archiving, this mode of operation is not recommended for continuous background archiving.
2. The tapes should be labelled as tape 1 to tape 8 before they are inserted into the magazine.
3. Insert tapes 3, 2, and 1 (in that order) into the bottom shelf.
4. Insert tapes 4, 5, 6, and 7 (in that order) into the top shelf.
5. Insert tape 8 in the last slot. Tape 8 is a data tape.

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**DRIVE OPERATION**

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When a magazine is inserted into the Autoloader, the changer cycles through all the tapes to ensure that the magazine is full. If any tape slots are empty, the magazine is ejected from the drive.

Once all tapes have been detected, Tape 1 is loaded into the drive. The tape headers are read and compared to the volume files on the disk to find a match.

- If a matching volume is found, the volume files for the other tapes in the magazine are sought on the disk. No other tapes are loaded.
- If no matching volume file is found on the disk, all the tapes in the magazine are loaded in sequence. Each tape's headers are saved to the disk.

Only when the headers from all the tapes in the magazine have been stored on the disk, can the device be used for archiving.

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**VOLUME INFORMATION**

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The Wavelet data headers that are stored at the beginning of a tape are stored in special files on the hard disk. This volume information is stored on the hard disk to enable the contents on a tape to be recovered quickly in case the tape drive was powered down while recording.

The volume information on the disk is also used to reference other tapes in the magazine. This speeds up the magazine loading process, as only one tape has to be read to know the contents of the other tapes in the magazine. For this reason, it is not advisable to change the order of the tapes in a magazine.

The software currently supports 32 volume partitions on the hard disk. When all available partitions on the hard disk have been allocated, the oldest partition will be cleared and reused. Each time a tape is loaded, the time stamp in the corresponding partition is updated. When factory settings are selected, all volume partitions are erased.

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**RESTORING TAPE HEADERS**

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- If the SCSI-2 link between the Digital Recorder and the tape drive fails while data is being written to the tape, as much data as possible is restored when the link is re-established. Most of the header information is recovered from the disk, with the remaining data recovered from the tape. This recovery operation typically takes several minutes, depending on the relative position of the data from the start of the tape.
- If the power to the drive is interrupted while the drive was writing data to tape, the data recovery process may take considerably longer because the position of the last valid data must be determined.

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**WRITE-PROTECTION**

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The magazine can be write protected by moving the write protect tab to the Save position. In addition, individual tapes can be write protected by opening the write protect tab on the tape.

- If a write protected tape is chosen for selective archiving, no data will be written to the tape.
- If a write protected tape is loaded during background archiving, the tape is returned to the carousel, and the next tape in sequence will be loaded.

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**BLANK TAPES**

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If any blank tape is detected during the loading process, the tape will automatically be partitioned into two partitions, and a blank set of headers will be written to the tape, so they are ready to receive recordings.

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**TAPE CAPACITY**

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The tape capacity is read from the drive when a new tape is being loaded. The capacity reported by the drive is only an estimate, and varies with the make of the drive and tape. This estimated value is used in computing the percentage of space left while background archiving (or when selecting events are to be archived).

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**ERASE MEDIUM**

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If more than one volume is detected, the user can use the **Erase Archive Medium** menu item to select one or more volumes to erase. All selections will be off by default. More than one volume can be selected per erase operation.

- If the selected volume is in the tape drive, the header partition on the loaded tape is erased.
- If the selected volume is not in the drive, the selected tape is loaded and the headers are read. The tape is erased only if the headers read from the tape match those on the disk for that position in the magazine.
- If the headers on the tape are different from those on the disk, the tape positions in the magazine must have been changed. In which case, the tape is not erased. The tape in position one must be removed, a new reading of the magazine begins, and tapes will be erased.

The progress bar tracks the erase operation. It reaches 100% when all selected tapes have been erased. The bar is not updated smoothly, but rather in stages during the erase operation. The progress bar does not change while a tape is being selected (up to 3 minutes). The tapes are erased in sequence starting with the lowest selected ID, regardless of which tape was originally in the drive.

**Note:** When background archiving is active, certain tape functions are not available, such as **Erase Archive Medium**. In order to erase a tape, turn background archiving mode off. See the section **Erase Archive Medium** on page 30 for details on how to do this.

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**STUCK TAPES**

Autoloaders do not always boot reliably when powered on with a tape in the drive. During the initialisation sequence, one of the tapes from the magazine may become dislodged from the magazine and will have to be removed manually from the Autoloader and replaced in the magazine. This seems to be either a drive or magazine feature, which the software cannot remedy. As a result:

- The use of an uninterrupted power supply (UPS) is recommended when using the Autoloader.
- Be sure that the magazine is ejected from the Autoloader before removing power.

**Note:** If the Autoloader is powered on with a tape in the drive, the headers from that tape are read (and restored if necessary), and the loaded tape is used as the reference tape. If this occurs, the SELECT button on the Autoloader is enabled until a different tape is loaded. **Do not press the SELECT button at this time.** Doing so will cause a new tape to be loaded.

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**CLEANING CYCLE**

The cleaning tape is loaded during background archiving without any user intervention. It is loaded when:

- It is the next tape in sequence.
- At least two tapes have been written to the End of Media.

The heads are cleaned, and the tape is returned to the magazine. The next tape in sequence is then loaded. The cleaning tape is not used during selective archiving.

If the magazine volume information is not found to be on the hard disk during the initial loading sequence, the cleaning tape is loaded. If (a) all the tapes in the magazine are full, (b) at least two tapes have received data since the last cleaning cycle, and (c) the background archiving mode is either **No Overwrite** or **Write Once**, the heads are cleaned before the magazine is ejected.

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**DATA TRANSFER OPERATIONS**

There are four data transfer operations that can be carried out using the Digital Recorder and a tape drive:

- Selective Archive
- Restore from Archive
- Play from Tape
- Background Archive

**Selective Archive Mode**

If more than one volume is found, a list of available volumes is displayed. The loaded volume is selected by default. Selecting a volume deselects the previously selected volume.

When a volume has been selected, and the menus have been exited, pressing the **SEARCH** button displays (1) the selected events on the disk, and (2) the free capacity of the selected volume. Pressing the **RECORD** button starts the copying of events from the disk to the tape.

If the selected tape is not the tape in the drive, the other tapes in the magazine are loaded in succession until the matching tape is found. If no matching tape is found, no information is archived to the tape. It is possible to select only events that will fit on the tape. The capacity of the tape is determined when the tape is loaded.

The **Remaining Capacity** parameter is only an approximate value. In some cases the EOM may be encountered before the complete event has been written. In this case, the headers on the tape are updated, but the full tape will not be ejected from the drive. A message appears indicating that not all information was archived. In Selective Archive Mode, a tape can be erased.

**Restore from Archive Mode**

If more than one volume is found, a list of available volumes is displayed. The loaded volume is selected by default. Selecting a volume deselects the previously selected volume.

When a volume has been selected, and the menus have been exited, pressing the **SEARCH** button displays (1) the selected events on the disk, and (2) the free capacity of the selected volume. Pressing the **RECORD** button starts the copying of events from the tape to the disk.

If the selected tape is not the tape in the drive, the other tapes in the magazine are loaded in succession until the matching tape is found. If no matching tape is found, no information is restored from the tape.

**Play from Tape Mode**

If more than one volume is found, a list of available volumes is displayed. The loaded volume is selected by default. Selecting a volume deselects the previously selected volume.

When a volume has been selected, and the menus have been exited, pressing the **SEARCH** button displays (1) the selected events on the disk, and (2) the free capacity of the selected volume.

Pressing the **ENTER** button plays back an event from the **Restore Search Results** screen. If the selected tape is not the tape in the drive, the other tapes in the magazine are loaded in succession until the matching tape is found. If no matching tape is found, nothing is played back. Do not cancel a search, or start another search, while the autoloader is unloading or loading tapes.

**Background Archive Mode**

If the Autoloader is being used with a single tape in Slot 8, the Autoloader functions as a single-tape drive. The tape is unloaded when full regardless of the background archiving setting.

If more than one tape is used, all tapes in the magazine are searched to find the most recent event. If all the tapes are blank, Tape 1 is selected.

During background archiving, the **Archive Percentage** and **Time Left** parameters indicate the estimated time left for the magazine, not just for the current tape. Information is written until the EOM is encountered. This may be slightly greater or less than the reported tape capacity. The remaining time left is recalculated when the next tape is loaded to overcome this difference. If a loaded tape is write protected or not usable, the archive time is adjusted accordingly when the next tape is loaded.

**Note:** When background archiving is active, certain tape functions are not available, such as **Erase Archive Medium**. In order to erase a tape, switch background archiving off. See the section **Erase Archive Medium** on page 30 for details on how to do this.

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**IMPORTANT**

**Video with 25pps and above, audio or high resolution is unsuitable for background archiving.**

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There are three different overwrite modes that can be used with an Autoloader, and these modes should be considered when background archiving is used. These modes are:

- **No Overwrite**

The Autoloader finds the tape with the most recent recorded event, and the next tape in sequence is then selected as the starting point. When that tape becomes full, the magazine is sequentially searched for a tape with free space. If one is found, it is loaded and archiving continues. Otherwise, the magazine is ejected, and another magazine must be inserted. The magazine changeover operation may take a number of minutes to perform, in which case some data may be lost.

- **Overwrite Once**

The tape with the most recent recorded event is found, and the next tape in sequence is selected as the starting point. This tape is loaded and erased, so that archived information starts at the beginning of the tape. The **Archive Percentage** and **Time Left** parameters then indicate the remaining capacity of the magazine. When these decrease to zero, all the tapes in the magazine are full, and the magazine is ejected, at which point another magazine must be inserted. The magazine changeover operation may take a number of minutes to perform, in which case some data may be lost.

- **Continuous Overwrite**

This mode operates in the same way as Overwrite Once mode, but when all the tapes in the magazine are full, the cleaning tape is loaded and run. The operation recycles until archiving or recording is turned off. The magazine is not ejected in this mode.

For more details on archive overwrite modes and on archiving in general, see the section **Archive Setup** on page 28.

**ARCHIVE ERROR MESSAGES**

The archiving error messages have been expanded to display different text strings. The alarm relay will only be set if the string is **Archiving Failed**.

Mode	Message	Reason
Selective Archive	Medium not present.	The tape cannot be selected.
“ “	Not all data was archived.	1) Reached EOM on the tape. 2) The Archive Mode is turned OFF.
“ “	Medium is write-protected.	Cannot write to tape as write tab is open.
“ “	Archiving Failed. †	1) The write command failed. 2) The drive is disconnected.
Restore From Archive	Medium not present.	The tape cannot be selected.
“ “ “	Not all data was archived.	The Archive Mode is turned off.
“ “ “	Can't read medium.	1) The read command failed. 2) The drive is disconnected.
Play From Tape	Can't read medium.	1) The read command failed. 2) The drive is disconnected.
Background Archive	Archiving Failed. †	1) The write command failed. 2) The drive is disconnected.
† The alarm relay is set if this message appears.		

**THE ARCHIVING ICON**

When the unit exits Record mode during archiving, a white tape icon appears in the bottom right hand corner of the monitor. It indicates that archiving is in progress. The icon remains until all information has been written to tape, and the tape headers have been updated.

If the tape or magazine becomes full before all the information has been written to the tape, the magazine is ejected, and the archive icon remains on the monitor. The icon is cleared when a new tape or magazine is loaded.

Turning off the Archive mode in the menus can also clear the icon. This action also flushes the remaining data buffers. This operation may take a while if a tape is being loaded or the magazine is being ejected.

**Note:** The Digital Recorder should not be turned off if the archive icon is visible and data is still being written to tape.

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